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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE AND THE LETTER CONVEYING THE NORWEGIAN BICENTENNIAL GIFT ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT FROM PRIME MINISTER NORDLI

1. FYI: FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PRIME MINISTER:

BEGIN TEXT: ON THE EVENT OF THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE I EXTEND TO YOU MR. PRESIDENT AND TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA MY MOST SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT WITH BEST WISHES FOR THE FUTURE AND FOR CONTINUED STRONG LINKS OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. END TEXT.

2. LETTER CONVEYING NORWEGIAN GIFT WAS PRESENTED TO UNCLASSIFIED

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PRESIDENT BY CROWN PRINCE HARALD AT WHITE HOUSE CEREMONY

ON JULY 2.

3. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT FORD SHOULD BE DELIVERED TO THE PRIME MINISTER:

BEGIN TEXT:

ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I WANT TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE GIFT WITH WHICH THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF NORWAY HONORED US ON JULY 2. YOUR GIFT BOTH CAPTURES THE TRUE SPIRIT OF OUR CELEBRATION AND ESTABLISHES A LEGACY THAT WILL BE OURS FOR YEARS TO COME. THE CENTER WHICH WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN MINNESOTA WITH THE SIGNIFICANT HELP WE RECEIVED FROM NORWAY IS YET ANOTHER REFLECTION OF THE CONCERN WHICH YOUR COUNTRY HAS ALWAYS MANIFESTED FOR THE WELL BEING OF THE DISADVANTAGED MEMBERS OF SOCIETY.

MAY I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY ALSO TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL MESSAGE ON THE OCCASION OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE.

4. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT WISHES TO DO SO. KISSINGER

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